

## Claims

- [c1] I hereby claim exclusive and all inclusive rights to the Invention as defined herein:
- 1.) A device for protecting the finished or unfinished surfaces (front, back, side bottom and top) of stringed musical instruments such as but limited to; electric & acoustic guitars, bass guitars, banjos, violins, violas, floor bass, steel guitars, ukuleles and mandolins, the invention comprised of the following components:
    - a.) A decorative outer (top) layer of natural fabric or synthetic material that provides protection from scratches, abrasion and normal ware. This outer (top) layer also provides a textured (friction) surface which reduces the problem of highly polished instruments slipping and/or sliding out of the musicians preferred playing position. E.g., the friction provided by the fabric assists in maintaining the position of a banjo or guitar on the leg of a seated musician.
    - b.) An inner layer of cushioning material [laminated to the decorative layer detailed above] provides additional protection from dings and divots.
    - c.) A Low-Tack Adhesive, Thermoplastic Elastomer (TPE) or other bonding material provides adhesion between the invention and the surfaces that it has been designed to protect.